



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:

Guy L. Clifton

SERIAL NO.: 10/068,221

FILED: February 6, 2002

FOR: *Retractor And/Or Distractor*
For Anterior Cervical Fusion

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GROUP ART UNIT: 3732

EXAMINER: David C. Comstock

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF APRIL 30, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
MAIL STOP RESPONSES
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the **Non-Final Office Action of April 30, 2003**, received for the above referenced application, the following Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted.

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